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### STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Botich et al.

Application No./Patent No.: 10/727,363

Filed/Issue Date: December 3, 2003

Entitled: **CATHETER INSERTION DEVICE WITH RETRACTABLE NEEDLE**

MDC Investment Holdings, Inc., a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Paul S. Evans  
Signature

Paul S. Evans

Printed or Typed Name

Executive Vice President, MDC Investment Holdings, Inc.

Title

5/7/08  
Date

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### ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Michael J. Botich, Thor R. Halseth and John Barker, and each one of them, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, is a named inventor of an invention entitled: "CATHETER INSERTION DEVICE WITH RETRACTABLE NEEDLE" described and claimed in in United States Patent Application No.09/526,612, filed March 16, 2000; and

WHEREAS, MDC INVESTMENT HOLDINGS, INC., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Delaware, and engaged in business at Delaware Trust Building Suite 200, 900 Market Street, Wilmington, DE United States 19801, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the said invention and any and all applications for Letters Patent and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be issued therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree that, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to ASSIGNOR by ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned and set over and hereby does sell, assign and set over, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, his or her entire right, title and interest for, to and within the United States and all foreign countries, in and to the aforesaid invention, including the right to claim priority to the above-referenced application in any foreign application and in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be issued therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

And ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, as the owner of all right, title and interest therein.

And for said consideration, it is hereby covenanted and agreed that at the request and expense of ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, ASSIGNOR will execute any further papers and do such other acts and things as may be necessary and proper to permit ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to procure Letters Patent for said invention in the United States and in such foreign countries as ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns may elect, and vest the full title thereto in ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment has been executed on the day and month indicated below.

Date

Signature

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MICHAEL J. BOTICH

6-22-00

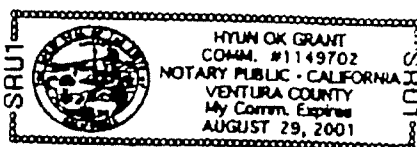
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JOHN BARKER

COUNTY OF VENTURA

JUNE Before me, the undersigned, a notary public, in and for the county aforesaid, on this 22 of JUNE, 2000, personally appeared Michael J. Botich, Thor R. Halseth and John Barker to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed and desired the same to be recorded as such.



Hyun Ok Grant  
Notary Public